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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Re: Application of Kouichi Morita, Hiromasa Fukuyama, Ikunori Sakatani, Takeshi Takizawa, Shigeru Endo and Toshio Takahashi
SENSOR AND ROLLING BEARING APPARATUS WITH SENSOR
Assignee: NSK LTD.
Our Ref: Q76955



Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/996,593 (Confirmation No. 4104) filed November 30, 2001 of Kouichi Morita, Hiromasa Fukuyama, Ikunori Sakatani, Takeshi Takizawa, Shigeru Endo and Toshio Takahashi entitled **SENSOR AND ROLLING BEARING APPARATUS WITH SENSOR**.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 36 sheets of drawings, and an IDS. Also, enclosed is a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 3682.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	P. 2000-366530	December 1, 2000
Japan	P. 2001-99989	March 30, 2001
Japan	P. 2001-183578	June 18, 2001
Japan	P. 2001-213285	July 13, 2001
Japan	P. 2001-217160	July 17, 2001
Japan	P. 2001-230356	July 30, 2001
Japan	P. 2001-235172	August 2, 2001
Japan	P. 2001-242719	August 9, 2001

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/996,593.



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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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